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GRANGE NEWS

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange held its annual election of officers Dec. 21. The following officers were elected: Master—Claude S. Cushman. Overseer—J. Herbert Ring. Lecturer—Martha K. Dudley. Steward—Ellis Davis. Asst. Steward—Ned Lovejoy. Chaplain—Emily Felt. Treasurer and Trade Agent—G. Leon Cushman. Secretary—G. W. Q. Perham. Gate Keeper—Albert Russ. Ceres—Annie Bryant. Pomona—Rowena Ring. Flora—Ida Farnum. L. A. Steward—Bertha Lovejoy. Chorister—Annie Davis. Librarian—Emmie Poverley. Hall Agent—Fred M. Cole. The installation will be held Jan. 4. Bro. A. E. Morse is the installing officer. In the P. M. a good program is the chief attraction.

BETHEL GRANGE

Bethel Grange met on the evening of Dec. 26. The worthy Master Eli Cushman in the chair. Minutes read and approved. Officers absent: Chaplain, Secretary, Ceres, Pomona and Flora. After the business session the new officers were elected as follows: Master—Eli Cushman. Overseer—Geo. Haggood. Lecturer—Ellis Lyon. Steward—Herman Mason. Asst. Steward—Charles Cole. Chaplain—Ella Copeland. Treasurer—Mary Cummings. Secretary—Martha Kendall. Gate Keeper—Sidney Jodrey. Ceres—Samantha Jodrey. Pomona—May F. Farwell. Flora—Mae R. Bartlett. Musicians—Florence Upton. There was no program.

NORWAY GRANGE

In December 28, Norway Grange held its last meeting for the year 1918. Worthy Master W. O. Perry called to order at 11.15 for a short business session. The dinner committee appointed for Pomona meeting on Jan. 7, 1919, are, from J to B inclusive—with Eva Richardson as chairman. Voted to send the Lecturer-elect, Annie S. Goodwin to the Lecturers' Conference whenever and wherever it may be held. As Harry Goodwin, who was elected Overseer, resigned the office, Ana Frost was elected to fill the vacancy. It is expected the officers will be installed at the next meeting on Jan. 11, at which time the defeated captains and helpers will demonstrate to the victorious side that there is "glory even in defeat," and invite them to a feast, fitting to the occasion. The score will be announced later by the judge, Sister Louise Gammon. After a recess for the picnic dinner the gavel fell at 1.15 and the time was immediately given over to Captain Ora Howe and assistants, Mary Gammon and Ethel Dunn; Gladys Russell pianist, and Captain Gladys Abbott Greenleaf and assistants, Annie Goodwin and Adeline DeCoster. The stage decorations were extremely artistic. The front presented a border of sparkling snow, and Christmas candles; at either side were snow-banked pine trees, a low hedge of pine and autumn leaves streaked with bouquets of blue and white rose berries, back of which rose stately pine trimmed with snow which formed a beautiful setting for the "Stars and Stripes," that occupied the honor place. Over head were autumn leaves seemingly floating in the air, while a silver star lent its soft radiance to the scene. Captain Ora Howe presented the following program:

Song, "When Ellen Wilson Had An Auction." Mrs. Hibel Upton Dunn, Perry Upton. Reading, "The First Church Christmas Carol." Ora Howe. "Why we have a service flag, and for what does it stand?" Solo Cox. Solo Cox paid a touching tribute to the "Soldier Boys" of Norway Grange and read a poem to the memory of Ralph Miller, placing a floral tribute on the altar in loving remembrance. "In Flanders Field." (Three flowers, showing the little crosses, blossoming poppies, corn, soldier and Norway Grange, Jan. 7. Past State Angel of Peace, Reader, Kate Delano Master C. E. Steison is to be the speaker. Captain Gladys Greenleaf presented.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Services at the usual hour, 10.45 A. M. Sunday School at 12.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday Morning worship with sermon at 10.45, to be followed by Communion service. Sunday School at 12. The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Curtis, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. More than forty candy bags were sent around to our little folks Christmas morning.

ROY D. THURSTON

Roy D. Thurston, son of Guy L. and Elizabeth M. Thurston, was born in Errol, N. H., April 11, 1889, and came to Bethel with the family when he was fifteen years old. He was educated in our village schools, graduating from Gould's Academy in 1919.

He worked for his father, lumbering until the latter became postmaster and bought out Mr. William Hastings in the hardware business. Then Roy went into the store where he remained as long as health permitted. In October, 1917, he took a severe cold which developed into asthma from which he never recovered. He was a patient for a time at Parsonsfield sanatorium and also at Fairfield. He tried camping out and spent several months at his old home in Errol, but all to no purpose.

Several weeks ago his father put him under the care of Dr. Edwin Gehring of Portland who treated him at St. Barnabas Hospital, Woodford. Mr. Thurston left nothing undone for his son's recovery.

Early last week his malady assumed a dangerous phase and last Thursday night, at ten o'clock his father and Mrs. Thurston hastened to St. Barnabas by auto and remained with him till the end which came Sunday morning at 12.30. His sister, Mrs. Cleveland West, was also with him when he passed away.

Roy Thurston was a likeable young man of excellent habits, who made friends readily, and will be missed by a large circle of them. He had an unusual fondness for all kinds of animals and was happy with his pets. He loved plants only a little less than animals and was a skilled gardener.

He is survived by his father, mother, a sister Mrs. Cleveland West of Errol and a young brother Guy. The funeral service, at the Congregational chapel, Tuesday afternoon, was largely attended despite the storm. There was a profusion of flowers tastefully arranged. The interment was at Riverside cemetery.

Those attending the service from out of town were: Y. A. Thurston of Andover—the illness of Mrs. Thurston's mother prevented her coming—and Mrs. David Hazard of Berlin. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland West were also in town for the service, but the illness of Mrs. West prevented their being present.

The following program: Hymn, "All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name," piano and violin accompaniment. Paper, "A History of the Flag," with tableau, "Battle Flag of Victory," with tableau, "Birth Of The Flag." Reader, Annie Goodwin. Gladys Greenleaf. Tableau, "The Unbreakable Chain," with original poem, "The War God." Annie Goodwin. Tableau, "The Holy City." Solo, "The Holy City," Gladys Abbott Greenleaf. Tableau, "Stars," (Bethlehem's Babe) Poem, "Stars," Annie Goodwin. End Scene, "Service Stars," (Nurse, Soldier.) A fine production. Piano Solo, Adeline DeCoster. Reading, "When 'Lish' Played O'." Gladys Greenleaf. Illustrated Song, "Grandma's" encore. Reading, "Tribute To Our Flag." Annie Goodwin. Response, Song, "Red, White and Blue." Piano Solo, "Home Sweet Home." Tableau, "Rock of Ages." The program was delightful and extremely meritorious from start to finish, showing much talent and thought in preparation.

Owing to the illness of the judge, Sister Louise Gammon, Brother A. E. Morse of Paris Grange acted as judge for her during the presentation of the programs. Work was resumed in closed session. Minutes read, closed in form. The reading Master, W. O. Perry, and his estimable wife, are loved and highly valued members, and their many years of faithful service given ample proof of their sterling worth.

Oxford Pomona Grange meets with Norway Grange, Jan. 7. Past State Angel of Peace, Reader, Kate Delano Master C. E. Steison is to be the speaker. A profitable meeting is assured.

RED CROSS DRIVE

Final report of Red Cross Christmas membership drive shows a total membership for Bethel and its auxiliaries \$50.

Bethel has 400 Newry has 79 Upton has 60 Albany has 11 Here are the names that came in too late to get in with the list when published:

ALBANY

Mrs. W. I. Beckler, Mrs. W. B. Cummings, Mrs. A. G. Bean, Miss Anna K. Cummings, Mrs. Arthur Bean, Miss A. G. Cummings, Mrs. Gustav Inman, Mrs. Millard Clough, Miss Irene Briggs, Mrs. Carl Upton, Mr. Johnnie Haseltin.

BETHEL

N. R. Springer, Fred Haggood, Mrs. O. M. Mason, Mrs. Lucinda Chase, Ralph Moore, Seldon L. Grover, Letha A. Grover, Ed. Barker, Alice Gunther.

UPTON

Mrs. Ida Warren, Mrs. Chas. Merrill, Mr. Chas. Merrill, Mrs. Lizzie Sargent, Mr. Orville Powell, Miss Eleanor McLeod, Mrs. Robert Bean, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mrs. Phylla Marquis, Mrs. Alberta Enman.

This final count shows quite a large increase over last year but there are still many in Bethel who were members but their membership has not been renewed, and as all memberships expire at Christmas time, are not members until they bring or send in their dollar. We are advised that this wonderful organization will endeavor to finance the activities from the memberships from now out. This seems hardly possible, and can only be done by every adult coming forward with that dollar's worth of encouragement. Who is there who cannot spare just one dollar at this time to help carry this greatest of organizations on for a whole year? Send your name and membership fee for 1919 to Irving L. Carver, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

ON THE DEATH OF BROTHER RALPH B. FROST

Whereas, God in His Infinite Wisdom, has called to the Higher Domain our esteemed Brother, Ralph B. Frost, therefore be it Resolved: That we, as a Lodge, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Oxford Lodge has lost a Brother who was always ready to do his part in any undertaking, one who always had a smile and a kind word, and did not live for self alone. A worthy Brother, a loving son, and a valiant soldier, who willingly gave his life on the battlefield of France, Nov. 7th, 1918, fighting for the cause of right and of humanity.

Resolved: That our Charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the Rumford Falls Times and the Oxford County Citizen for publication.

T. J. MURRELL, P. B. MARTIN, WM. T. CHASE, Com. on Resolutions.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I am taking orders for A HISTORY OF THE WORLD WAR by Francis A. March, Ph.D., with an introduction by his brother GENERAL FELTON C. MARCH, Chief of Staff of U. S. Army. This is a complete and authentic narrative written by an American author, brother of the Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army, in collaboration with a noted war correspondent and military analyst Richard J. Beamish.

This work combines all the events, the unprecedented battles, the victories, defeats and final accomplishment of peace in the greatest war since the world began. The complete book comprises about 750 pages and over 200 illustrations including portraits, maps, etc.

Everybody will want a war book in his library, the distinguished authorship attests this one as authentic and reliable. I do not plan to canvass, if you want this book drop a card or call me by phone 12-5. Price \$2.75.

CHARLES E. LORR, Supt. of Schools.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the N. E. M. P. A. will be held at Grange Hall, Bethel, Saturday evening, Jan. 4, at 7 o'clock.

Per Order, ALTON BARTLETT, Pres.

Subscribe for your Magazine and Newspapers through Carl L. Brown, Bethel, Maine.

NEW YEAR'S SERMON AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Subject: "1919, The Beginning Of A Nobler and Happier Epoch"

The effects of the war that are to benefit humanity are neither few nor unimportant. Its lessons, some obvious and some less obvious, applied in all the relations of life will bring in a nobler and happier epoch. Autocracy is dead and buried and can never be resurrected. The divine right of Kings, that abominable superstition, that was no small factor in holding Germany together during its orgy of more than 1500 days, is at last discredited everywhere for all time. Henceforth "A man's a man for a' that and a' that," whether born in a palace or a hovel and whether he be white or colored.

Hundreds of old excuses for oppression, abuse and injustice have been swept away. Our negroes from the southland, Algerines from French possessions in Africa, Hindoos and Coolies from Asia through their grasp of lofty ideals and gladness to make the extreme sacrifice for them, have written into the constitution of humanity in letters of blood and fire that can never pale "A man's a man for a' that." Henceforth whoever attempts to ignore that fact does so at his peril. This means an abatement, if gradual yet certain, and final uprooting of the old selfishness whereby men have exploited their fellowmen for gain and gold.

The war has revealed the idealism, the appreciation of moral and spiritual values to a marked degree in many lands. Little Belgium stood to gain much of material worth if she would let the Hunnish hordes pass through her land unhindered. She stood to lose every thing save her honor and her soul if she opposed them. Yet King Albert and his queen and his people did not hesitate. And their choice to risk everything for integrity and righteousness gave the inspiration to the souls of other nations.

They really overthrew the Central powers, destroyed autocracy and demonstrated that right is might at the end of the day. It was Belgium's fearless stand for righteousness that immediately sent the flower of English youth into the English armies to freely sacrifice their lives to refute for all time the false, brutal and malignant German philosophy. It was the young men from the manse, the universities and the theological seminaries of England that first reached the firing line after England's "Contemptible Little Army" had been almost annihilated. When it became time for the class of 1917 to graduate from the English theological schools, a score in number, there was scarce a man left in any of them to receive his diploma. They were in France, in soldier's graves, in the trenches, in ambulance corps, or in Y. M. C. A. huts.

England will never be the same England, for the cheerful abandonment to self-sacrifice that those thousands of bright, young, brave spirits taught her. The young men from all her colonies, inspired by the spirit of Belgium and the example of the young men of England hastened to match their heroic devotion.

Words would fail me to depict the wonderful heroism, the patient endurance, the faith and zeal and cheerfulness with which France—all France—the children, the fathers, the mothers and the old men—has poured out her blood, borne her burdens, her crosses and her losses, in the war. The noble spirit of Joan of Arc, of Lafayette, of Madam Guyon, and of Coligny has been matched by that of thousands of the common people of France in this bloody crusade.

The sages and the poets tell us that it is only on stepping stones of their dead selves that men arise to higher things. "Standing on what too long we bore with shoulders bent and downcast eyes, We may discern unseen before—A path to higher destinies."

That is if we have the right temper we rise through suffering and sacrifice and bereavement. And since no other four years in the history of man has witnessed a tilde of the suffering and sorrow and bereavement that has visited the world in the last quadrennium, and since we are convinced that in the main our people and our allies have been in the right temper, there must have been a great moral and spiritual uplift and advance to all these peoples. Indeed we know that such has been the case.

Not to speak further of the ready and cheerful sacrifice of young men.

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Fortune smiled on Bethel children this Christmas. The end of a week of holiday observance was marked by a party for children around the Community Tree, Saturday afternoon. That much time and effort had been expended to make successful this little affair for the juniors was evident. The cooperation of a number of helpful friends with the ladies whose kindly hearts prompted this offering of good-will, made it possible of fulfillment.

At 4 o'clock trumpets announced to the assembling children and mothers the arrival of Santa Claus the Incomparable. With flying streamers his white steeds attached to a huge sleigh containing four glittering Christmas trees and the faithful comrades, Mary Christmas, Uncle Sam, Jack Frost, Teddy Bear, Broer Rabbitt, Donkey, and Snow Man, he dashed down Broad street and finally rein was drawn at the Tree where Santa cheerily addressed his throng of admirers. Assisted by his entertaining companions on this memorable visit, he presented each child with an attractive bag of sweets. Then, as per his instructions, the children marched in line to the Inn porch where all received ice cream and cakes.

Favorable comment was heard of the attentive demeanor of the many children present, which no doubt bespoke their appreciation. It was a pretty closing picture at sunset that afternoon as the troop of children dispersed, the Tree aglow with its colored lights, and feathery snow slowly descending upon it in its lovely setting.

Heartily and sincere are the thanks of those who gave this bit of cheer to the children for the generous help of the Bethel Light Co. in furnishing the lighting of the Community Tree. The kindly assistance of those representing the churches, and all other favors were fully appreciated.—J. S. K.

The best way to be happy is to make others so, and what a just wealth of happiness is realized by our generous hearted visitors who gave the Children's Christmas Party. Saturday, Dec. 28, was an ideal day and at 4 o'clock all the children of the town were gathered on the Common by the big Christmas tree. Many colored lights alone from snow laden branches and the gentle fall of soft feathery flakes enhanced the beauty of mid made the occasion more Christmas-like.

Mother Goose and Old Mister Winter were there to welcome the youngsters. The Teddy Bear and Broer Rabbitt joined the jolly crowd in following Uncle Sam around the snowy paths to the gaily caparisoned sleigh of Santa Claus. Sure enough there was Santa himself, and Mrs. Santa too. Really and Truly Santa Claus who gave each wide-eyed and delighted child a gift and sent them marching happily onto the steps of the Inn where dainty cakes and delicious ice cream was served.

All joined in a riotous revel around the Christmas tree; the Fairy Party gave three cheers for the children of Bethel and drove gaily away. It was a wonderful hour and one to be ever remembered by all, from the tiniest-toddler to the biggest boy, and the grown-up, too.

Blessed indeed are they who know no sweeter music than the happy laughter of little children. Dear Christmas Party ladies, we thank you—A Parent.

MESSAGE FROM SANTA CLAUS—IMPORTANT!

The agents whom Santa Claus sent to the Inn to do his Bethel business for 1918—desire in the name of Santa Claus to thank all Bethel for sharing so heartily in his festival. The child spirit that is always latent in every grown-up responded to his call, and as simply as children everyone entered into the friendly joy of the Carol Service and of the Kiddies' Christmas Party.

Santa also bids us cite for special gallery in action the names that follow: Mr. Nelson Springer, to whom alone we are indebted for the decoration and lighting of the Christmas tree; Mr. Nelson Springer, to whom alone we are indebted for the decoration and lighting of the Christmas tree; Mr. Nelson Springer, to whom alone we are indebted for the decoration and lighting of the Christmas tree.

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WANT COLUMN.

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.

Each word more than 25: One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent.

YOUNG'S SHOE STORE

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RUBBERS

FELT SLIPPERS FELT SHOES

WOOL GLOVES

WARM MITS

COTTON GLOVES

MACKINAW

AUTO CUSHIONS

HEAVY OR LIGHT STOCKINGS

BOSTON GARTERS

LEATHER HAND BAGS

HEAVY WARM ROBES

UMBRELLAS, ETC., ETC.

YOUNG'S

WANTED

A small horse for his keeping; one safe for a woman to drive. DANA M. RAND, 1-2-31-p. R. F. D. 2, Bethel, Me.

LIVE RABBITS

Will pay 50 cents for live rabbits delivered at my house. A. F. CHAPMAN, Bethel, Maine.

WANTED

Matrons and teachers at once for institution work. Good pay to the right person. Address all inquiries to the CITIZEN OFFICE, Bethel, Maine.

NOTICE

Typewriter to let by the week or month. 50c per week, \$2.00 per month. Inquire at CITIZEN OFFICE.

Dr. Austin Tenney, Oculist, will be at his office at residence of Clarence Hall, Bethel, on last Saturday of the month, from 2.00 A. M. to 4.00 P. M. Eyes treated. Glasses fitted.

stock of patience and cooperation was drawn on very freely.

The Express and Post Office which even under Government ownership showed very human interest and efficiency in the delivery of belated and important packages.

The "Oxford County Citizen" which has generously let the Christmas notices gambol gaily on several of its frost pages.

The Valiant Carolers—who though cast into outer darkness and afflicted with cold feet, returned again and again to the charge.

The Misses Herrick, Blackington and Tyler, whose strumming on their golden harps added richness and variety to the music of the chorus.

Mr. Follard, Mr. Tibbette, and the Boy Scouts, who carried a flaming message of good will to Shant Inn and served as Aids at the Children's Party. In particular Luther Morse, so invaluable a Christmas Messenger that Santa Claus has advanced him successively, through the ranks of Lieutenant and Captain, to Major.

The Hon. W. W. Thomas who in his inimitable characterization of Santa Claus, out Santa's Santa himself.

Mr. George Harlow, the skillful and dashing driver of Santa Claus' sleigh. The Owners and Staff of the Bethel Inn whose generosity, hospitality and cooperation have never failed to meet the large Christmas drafts made upon them.

And finally—Dear Mr. Olney herself, who is always "Merry Christmas" to us all.

POWERS—BURROWS

There was a very pretty wedding at the residence of Mr. J. L. Little, Tuesday, Dec. 31, when Harry Powers of Newry and Clara Burrows of Bethel were united in marriage. Mr. Rowe and Mr. Lyon whose age, the single ring service being well.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1913.

NORWAY

Capt. E. G. Schwartz passed away at the Maine Hospital, Portland, Friday, where he had been under treatment since last August, after he was stricken with a shock. Captain and Mrs. Schwartz came to Norway from Bethel, where they were about eight years ago, and have since made their home at the Beale Tavern. At the time of his illness they were at the Triben cottage, Lake Umbagog, where they were in the summer. Captain Schwartz was born in America 72 years ago last June, of German parentage. He was a retired Naval Officer, of the Engineering Corps and was employed in the Revenue Service for many years. He had the distinction of taking the first herd of reindeer into Alaska and lived to see their increase and usefulness in that country. Captain Schwartz is survived by his wife. The body will be taken to Washington, D. C., for burial in Arlington Cemetery.

Francis N. LaFrance died Friday at his home on Fair street, following an illness of about six months of tubercular trouble. Mr. LaFrance was born in Canada, July 23, 1834, the son of George and Mathilde (Hodrick) LaFrance. Mr. LaFrance brought his family to Norway about 25 years ago, and he has had employment in the shoe factories until his health failed. He has been a member of St. Catherine's Catholic church for many years, where Requiem Mass was held Monday. He is survived by his wife and eleven sons and daughters: Cecilia, wife of Adolph Dietrich of Cape May, N. J.; George, Fred and Frank of Norway; Marion of Lynn; Sergt. Joseph LaFrance, Medical Department, Base Hospital 32, France; Albert, Blanche, Olive and Irene, who live at home.

The quarantine has been lifted at the home of Levi Richardson, Middletown, after nine weeks of being shut in with scarlet fever. Marion Wyman's at New Way Center and Chester Flint's, Pike's Hill have been released after a quarantine from the same disease. All of the cases have been light.

The Nevada Club met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Mabel Laplace, Danforth street. Refreshments were served during the evening, which was passed with club work and sociability.

Norway Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F., worked the third degree on two candidates from Mt. Mira Lodge, Tuesday evening. A large delegation was present from South Paris. Following the work a banquet was served. Installation of officers will take place in January.

Wildcat Encampment, No. 21, I. O. O. F., held their regular meeting Friday evening, and elected their officers for the coming year as follows:

C. P. James Wright,
N. E. Edward Shores,
J. W. Edgar Hall,
J. W. Lewis W. Yegg,
A. D. M. French.

Treasurer—Fred L. Pike, Isa Harrison, Frank E. DeCoster.

Officers will be installed by the district deputy, the second Friday in January. A banquet will follow the installation.

Daisy Baker's Mother Says



Quality and superior flavor count more than ever now when the Government wants us to save just as much flour as possible.

For what it means in one baking, we want the very best flour possible—and for me that means WILLIAM TELL, made from wheat grown in the rich American soil of the Midwest Valley in Ohio.

For what it means in saving, my choice must be WILLIAM TELL, because it goes further, everything comes out right and there is no waste.

And your grocer for WILLIAM TELL— and he'll get it for you.

WILLIAM TELL

For Sale By J. B. HAM CO., Bethel, Maine.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Pvt. Archie P. Swift, U. S. Marine, Co. H, 125 Co., 7th Regt. San Juan Hill, Santiago de Cuba, arrived Thursday on a thirty days' furlough, and surprised his mother, Mrs. Grace Swift, and sister, Miss Ruby Swift. Although Pvt. Swift is much disappointed not to have seen active service, he has been over seas seven times on guard duty, and each time landed at Brest, France, the longest stop there being three days.

Paul Nevers finished work as carrier for the Lewiston Sun, Saturday, and Francis Lewis will succeed him. Fred Lewis and Alice Lewis will take the route on the side streets that Francis has previously had. Paul Nevers has delivered papers for four years, and has been very popular with the patrons, who while they regret his graduating from the service, wish all success to his successor.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church held their annual meeting Friday afternoon following a quilling party at the home of Mrs. Vivian W. Mills. A large number attended and were busy all day. Dinner was served at noon. The report of the secretary and treasurer were most gratifying. The net receipts from the summer sale amounted to \$291.24, and from the annual Christmas sale, \$341.22; receipts from sewing, \$162.18; and from the circle dinners during the year, \$129.18. To making a total of over \$800 earned during the year, and a balance of nearly \$200 in the treasury. The officers elected for the coming year are: President, Mrs. Maude DeCoster; secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Bicknell; treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth Sampson. Next Friday the ladies will meet at Mrs. Mills' for an afternoon session, and continue the quilling.

Elizabeth Crockett Blake Tent, No. 3, Daughters of Veterans, held their meeting Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Sampson, Bridge street. The Tent has received an invitation from the Annie Gould Tent, Portland, to visit them on New Year's night, the occasion being their annual supper and installation of officers.

Dr. Irwin H. Moorehouse has opened a branch office in Bethel, for the practice of osteopathy. Mrs. Moorehouse and her mother, Mrs. Anna Cruse, who has been in Norway during the summer and fall, will return to their old home in Texas the first of January. Mrs. Moorehouse will be away about three months, and Mrs. Cruse will remain until summer.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hutton, who have been on a western trip for several weeks, have returned to their home for the winter. Mr. Hutton will represent the Fred Fox Match Company on a coast to coast trip beginning Jan. 8.

Dr. Charles Craigie of Portland, son of Mrs. Susan Craigie of Norway, has been appointed as the surgical staff at the Maine General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bidden are in Portland and Boston on a business trip. They were guests over the week end of Mrs. Bidden's sister, Mrs. Herman Paragard in Lynn, Mass., returning home, Tuesday.

Miss Mildred Curtis returned to her teaching in Houlton, Friday.

Miss Madeline Pride was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Briggs in Wilton this week.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington

By J. E. Jones

WHEN THE GOVERNMENT INTERVENES

The unity of purpose that inspired labor and capital in war time constituted one of the finest exhibitions of loyalty that has ever been born of Democracy. Now that the war is all over but the shouting complicated questions are arising out of the instances by various interests that conditions be recognized as permanent which were clearly adopted to meet war emergencies. The people of the country expect that prices will fall, but it is hardly a tribute to human nature to observe that most producers want the reductions to descend on some other than themselves. In these columns we have considered that affairs of the munition manufacturers, the steel interests, public utilities, shipping, etc., and so we will turn a leaf in the story of labor considered in connection with the policies adopted by the Government.

Under date of January 18, 1913, the Director General of Railroads appointed a Railway Wage Commission, and acting upon their recommendation the recognition of the basic eight hour day followed, and a general advance of wages was approved, amounting in some cases to 43 per cent, and this increase was made retroactive to January 1, 1913. By further orders the wages of all persons employed in the service under the Railroad Administration were advanced. Mr. McAdoo, in promulgating his order, declared that further steps would be employed in order to do "practical justice to the 2,000,000 railroad employees of the country." To this he added the "earnest hope that railroad officials and railroad employees will realize that their relations under Federal control are not based upon the old conditions of private management."

The Federal Trade Commission estimates that 23,000,000 people became engaged in war work. Practically all of them, outside railroad, express and wire employment are now shifting for themselves; readjusting their own affairs. They have returned to what Mr. McAdoo condemns as "the old conditions of private management." But it will be readily recognized that the brotherhoods engaged in railroad employment have fastened their war emergency methods very firmly upon the railroads in peace times, and that wholly through the intervention of the Government in their behalf.

WOMAN'S REASONING

It is rather hard to find better logic than that supplied in the views of Miss Christabel Pankhurst relating to the economic conditions of the world. This clever woman whose views with regard to suffrage for her sex, made her world famous, has given her time and mind to the cause of Democracy for more than four years, and among the world's ills of which she complains is the male for so-called "democratic control of industry." She voices the fundamental proposition that only through increased production can living conditions be adequately bettered. The restrictions of pre-war trade union conditions and workshop practices, with their restriction of production, she says, "will destroy the possibility of realizing the great aim of securing to the mass of the people the comforts, refinements and luxuries as yet enjoyed only by the few."

The so-called "democratic control of industry," she says, "means muddle, delay, confusion, divided counsel, stagnation and retrogression—the production of commodities will fall instead of rising, poverty will increase and the standard of living will fall to its lowest point. Only grownup children, exploited by those who know perfectly well what they are doing, would make this demand that exists in some quarters for control of industry."

These English thinkers appear quite like our own, and Miss Pankhurst is emphatic in the belief that employers and employees can accomplish most for the general good by thinking less about "control," "organization," "unionism," and short days, and by turning their attention instead, to increased production.

"ORGANIZATION" BROODING A HART

Even with the dislocating war clouds there is no let up on the pressure being brought upon Washington to recognize labor in organized groups wherever the interests of production up to production can be made to appear as being connected with the conduct of public business. Thus it appears that railway employees, telegraph, telephone and express employees have already acquired the habit of making a bee line for Uncle Sam to settle all of their wage controversies. This same condition existed with reference to all of the different lines of employment connected with war work up to the time of the cessation of hostilities. Apparently the institutions that have sprung up with the Government expect the federal treasury to keep their salaries at the top notch no matter what happens to

the rest of that giant class of citizens who call themselves "workers."

NAPOLEON'S BIG IDEA ABOUT MOVING ARMIES

When Uncle Sam tightened his belt around him and picked up his trusty musket and jumped into the middle of the biggest fight that ever was known he had done some mighty serious thinking beforehand.

"Now," he said to himself, "every war I've been in before this there has been a lot of trouble about food. Napoleon left one good idea for people that have to fight wars, and that was that 'an army moves on its stomach.' I've got to feed my army and navy and help feed the armies and navies of my partners and help feed their people, too. And my own folks right here at home have to be fed. This time I'll not run the risk of not having enough food or not having it good enough. It's just a matter of getting together with the right people and getting the right people together."

Uncle Sam's food administration undertook this problem. It knew that big difficulties were apt to arise, and it also knew that it takes big men to overcome big difficulties.

Uncle Sam came through the war with flying colors, and his food administration kept the meats and meat food products going to the army and navy without a hitch. Not a week passed without conditions arising which would have baffled an unorganized force, but the co-operation of the packers committee, headed by its chairman, Thomas E. Wilson, president of Wilson and Company, was a help which was of tremendous value.

The meat industry of the country, as has been said often during the war, was the one big industry which did not "buckle under the strain." It was ready for the war and its demands; its plants were all equipped for the sudden requirements of huge quantities of provisions, or they were speedily made ready and enlarged—in some instances, literally "over night." The packing companies stand almost alone as one line of business which did not require financing by the Government. They paid for their enlargements as they went along.

Mr. Wilson himself suffered an injury to his right leg in the midst of his war work, but he stuck to his desk and kept things going, even denying himself the briefest of vacations. As chairman of the packers' committee working with the food administration he gave an exhibition of unselfish devotion to the country and its cause which was to be expected of him, and which perhaps was emphasized a little bit because of the 2,000 soldier employees of his company who helped put the great victory over for Uncle Sam.

THE MERCHANT MARINE

Edward N. Hurley, the hard hitter who should be given most of the credit for putting ships into the water instead of making them an issue for political quarrels in the National Capital, says: "Let us picture an imaginary customer; suppose we want him to do business with Robinson Crusoe on the desert island. He needs our fabrics and tools. His island has good soil capable of raising food stuffs. It has goats to yield milk and meat. It has guano for fertilizer, and maybe it has undeveloped minerals. Robinson Crusoe does not possess any money and his island resources have been developed only for the needs of himself and Friday." Mr. Hurley follows out the story by sending calico and shoes, tools for farming, wood working and blacksmithing. The result is miraculous. After a while the island and his Friday live better, "wear better clothes, have a better table." Mr. Hurley declares that "our new merchant marine can establish a trade on this basis with many a nation."

SURFACE WATER UNSAFE

Rivers, ponds, irrigation ditches and small open reservoirs are unsatisfactory and unsafe sources of farm water supply. The subject is considered in "Farmer" Bulletin 941, "Water Systems for Farm Homes," recently issued by the United States Department of Agriculture.

The temperature of such water seldom is satisfactory, and the presence of more or less polluting matter is certain. Often the carcasses of farm animals are found therein. In thousands of cases the domestic supply is taken directly from irrigation ditches. In other instances a cistern, often without a filter, is filled at such times as the ditch water runs clearest. Often open reservoirs are necessary to collect and store water for the use of stock, and are occasionally they are used as sources of domestic water and ice supplies.

Under favorable conditions, where the basin is large and deep (10 feet or more), the bottom free of mud, muck, or other organic matter, the surrounding clean, and the circulation good, the quality of surface water may improve by long storage. However, these conditions are seldom realized on the farm, and the amount of improvement or purification is never certain.

The only safe course is to avoid drinking water from any surface source unless such water has been purified by filtration or sterilized by boiling or by

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Mrs. Sabrina Jackson of South Paris is a guest of Mrs. U. W. Richardson. Recent visitors to school were: Mrs. Arthur Keyes and daughter, Alice, Mrs. John Keyes, Mrs. N. E. Chapman and son Raymond, Mrs. Tom Belknap,

Mrs. Kyllonen, Mrs. W. E. Penry, Gladys Barker, Josephine Lord, Ray and Burton Barker.

Oscar Richardson has been quite ill with influenza but is better at this writing.

N. E. Chapman and Linwood Rogers are in Norway, Saturday.

A Finn family have moved into Peter Kavaja's rent.

Dr. Staples of West Paris was called to August Vittala's, Sunday.

Bess Upton, who works for Arthur Keyes, has been having a enforced vacation because of a lame back.

Why not buy it in Maine?

THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Start the year with a cheer, my dear
With God still ruling, why need
fear?
The clouds may gather and thunder
foll,
God can protect each trusting soul.
'Tis when we doubt Him and sink
sin,
That waves of despair come rolling

Up, from doubting and sin arise,
Pray, help comes from beyond the sky
Start the New Year with joy and so
Fight each temptation, doubt a
wrong,
For times grow better as God draws
near,
And trusting in Him, why need we fear

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The following New Year wish is ascribed to Goethe

Health enough to make work a pleasure.

Wealth enough to support your need.

Strength enough to battle with difficulties and overcome them.

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And hopes that shall remove all anxious fears concerning the future.

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"We never miss the water till the well runs dry," is a trite old saying, but it is true. How little do we appreciate the blessings, improve the opportunities to do good, or rightly employ the moments as they pass. "Of all the words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these: 'It might have been.'" When the blessings of life are gone, the opportunities passed, and the minutes are gone to make up our yesterdays, our minds then are filled with gloom and remorse. It might have been different in so many, many ways. We would have done some things we left undone, and left undone things we did do, but we had only been alert and alive to our possibilities, instead of being asleep, we were, careless and unconcerned. We might have been more tender and careful of the feelings of our friends and these about us. We might have said kind words or done the kindly deed. In some way today we could catch the view point we shall have tomorrow, it would all be different. The tomorrow might not be so clustered with vain regrets, such as now fill our minds as we stand here looking back at the yesterday. This might not be best for us, I do not know. But I do know it would be well if we would simply profit by our experiences, and live wiser and better today, so that when it becomes tomorrow, our lives may be sweeter and our memories more pleasant. Our words and actions today are but pictures we are hanging on Memory's wall. Then it would be wise to hang only those pictures that will bring pleasure and not sorrow, as we shall, perhaps, as I am doing tonight, take them down, one by one, and look them over in calm reflection. A thousand times better that we scatter kind words and actions as we pass along life's eventful journey.

The world is suffering for love and sympathy, if we could but know it. If the mind that veils us from our fellows could be pierced or lifted, what a vision we would have. How different would be our actions toward these about us. Where we have often blamed we would pity. Where we have been critical we would, I think, concede. Then, how different this world would be if we all lived up to our knowledge and always did the things we knew we ought to do. Each fleeting moment would be freighted with good and splendid deeds. And the hearts of these about us would sing joy, and a harmony would come that I am sure would delight the heart of God. While the New Year is still young, why not brighten up a bit in your own inner life and character by helping to relieve the suffering of your fellows, and make life a little more easy for these who are sitting within the shadows of some great discouragement or misfortune. And do with all your might what your hands and brain find to do, so that when the year has grown old and has been crowded into the yesterdays, it will be filled with good deeds and loving words. Your memory will be sweet, you can sleep peacefully with your own conscience.

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Interesting Case of Miss Baird

Sick Four Years, Red Cross Worker Tells How She Got Well

The case of Miss G. L. Baird of 30 Glenville Avenue, Allston, Mass., may bring new hope and health to other sufferers who have stomach worms and do not know what is the matter. A letter from this sufferer tells the story:

"I have been sick almost two years, had four doctors with little or no relief. Some of the doctors said I had enlarged liver, nervous indigestion, too much acid in my system. I was so tired in the morning it seemed as though I could not get dressed and get to work. I was growing thin every day, went from 135 to 111.

"I was so discouraged I didn't know what to do. One night about three weeks ago, I picked up a paper and saw Dr. True's Elixir, Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, advertised. I made up my mind I had worms and the next day bought a small bottle of Dr. True's Elixir and took three teaspoonfuls until I had taken the bottle.

"I was surprised at the result, pinworms, some a finger long, so much slime, some that looked as though it was just the skin of worms. The day before I took Dr. True's Elixir I thought I should go wild with the crawling in my stomach, I could feel them. My stomach was sour all the time and some days I could not retain what I ate, while other days couldn't keep anything on my stomach. I coughed so just the minute I went to bed some nights I would not sleep more than one or two hours. The second dose stopped the crawling and the second night I didn't cough.

"I feel like a new person, all my friends say I look so much better, but I don't need to have them tell me, for I know my feelings. I wouldn't have believed any one could feel so much better in such a short time. I tell you.



Miss Baird of Allston, Mass., knitting for Red Cross

everyone I know. I can't give your medicine praise enough."

FARMERS WARNED AGAINST PURCHASING DISEASED SHEEP

Dr. L. Sherman Cleaves, Extension Agent in Animal Husbandry of the Agricultural Extension Service, University of Maine, finds internal parasites very prevalent among the sheep flocks of this state and feels that it is of the highest importance that stockmasters and prospective stockmasters should be warned and advised against buying sheep for breeding purposes at random. During the past few months many instances have come to Dr. Cleaves' notice where flocks have become affected with the parasites through buying and bringing into them an affected ram, all cases where being unacquainted with the disease farmers have purchased diseased flocks which have in turn contaminated the healthy animals, pastures and grazing grounds as well.

In some instances men who have been successful owners for many years have come to woe by the onslaught of the parasites in their flocks, the cause of which they were entirely ignorant, some saying that their pastures had "run out," others that the sheep had "poisoned" the pasture. The unthriftness of the flocks and the loss of a few sheep or lambs from disease brings forth the above remarks from their owners. The real cause of the "run out" or "poisoned" pastures, the unthriftness and death of sheep, in the majority of cases, is intestinal parasites, stomach worms, tape worms and the worm causing round disease, are the three principal parasites with which we are coming in daily contact.

There are curative and preventive treatments and measures to be resorted to and the preventive is by far the safest. If your flock is healthy and your farm free from this menace, do not trust to luck in buying stock to take onto your farm but use every method available to determine whether or not this stock you are buying is affected or has been exposed to the disease.

Do not buy on description; always make it a point to see your animals before purchasing. If you are buying the whole flock be sure to get the true history of that flock; find out how many have died out of the flock during the past year or two and the same method should be applied if only buying one or a few of the flock. One can much better afford to spend a little time and money in an investigation to keep the disease out of their flock than they can to spend a lot of time and money to eradicate it.

Besides getting a true history of the flock in question one should look them over thoroughly for the following symptoms: General unthriftness of the flock but often of different degrees, some much thinner in flesh and more emaciated than others. Diarrhoea or chronic looseness of the bowels which is often accompanied by swellings under the jaw and about the face and neck, also anaemia (paleness of the skin and membranes of the eyes and mouth).

It appears that in a few cases diseased animals have been sold for breeding purposes by men who were fully aware of their diseased condition. In such instances this is not true, as the stock owners generally are not familiar with the true conditions. In all cases purchasers should be particularly careful to protect themselves as the measure from diseased animals is spreading rapidly.

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CANTON

Mrs. Mary Aldrich Worden, who passed away Sunday night, was born in South Hadley, Mass., and was 48 years of age. She had been in feeble health for a number of years. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aldrich of Massachusetts. The Worden family moved to Canton about 11 years ago. She is survived by her husband, Charles L. Worden, two sons, Horace and Rufus, and a grandson, Horace Lyman Worden, Jr., of Canton, three brothers and one sister, who reside in Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Worden were married 23 years ago. The funeral was held at the home, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiating. The floral tributes were very beautiful. Interment was at the Point. A sister, Mrs. Jennie Wood, of Belchertown, Mass., was present at the funeral.

All of the children of A. F. Russell with their families spent the day with him, Christmas.

Susan, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Bisbee, is ill with scarlet fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Potter and son of Woodford have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Packard. They all spent Christmas with Arthur M. Packard and family of Rumford, Mr. Packard remaining for a longer visit.

Miss Ruth Johnson is home for the holidays.

Miss Lena McCollister of Mexico has been a guest of relatives at her former home at Canton Point.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mendall entertained a party Christmas day which included Mr. and Mrs. John Tyler and daughter, C. T. Bonney and family, Arthur Tyler and family, J. Alton Tyler, Miss Ellen Parsons, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Ray.

Mrs. Allice Hines is at Mechanic Falls caring for Mrs. Bradford, the mother of Samuel Bradford.

Ernest Dillingham attended the funeral of his father, John Dillingham, of Buckfield last week.

Ponemah Rebekah Lodge elected officers, Friday evening as follows:

N. G.—Mrs. Ethel Johnson.
V. G.—Mrs. Ima Garay.
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Fannie Lucas.
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Velda Blecknell.
Treas.—Mrs. Cora B. Fuller.

The installation will be held on Jan. 24th, when D. P. Miss Lida Gibbs of Livermore Falls will install the officers.

Canton and Hartford are proud of the result of the Red Cross Christmas drive the past week, 218 members being secured.

O. M. Birchardson, who was appointed District Deputy of the Odd Fellows, has resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra T. Chamberlin are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Miss Wilma Davenport has returned from a visit with friends in Boston.

A family Christmas tree was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ingalls, Wednesday evening. Besides the family there were present Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Richardson and daughter, Mildred.

A post card shower was given Mr. and Mrs. Albert K. Foster, Wednesday, the occasion being the 60th wedding anniversary of that venerable couple. They are among the oldest and most esteemed of Canton's residents and have spent nearly their entire lives in Canton. They are very well and active. Mr. Foster being able to do considerable work on the farm and Mrs. Foster her own housework. They enjoyed the day Wednesday with Mrs. Emma McCollister and family, a niece, and a Christmas tree was enjoyed after the bounteous dinner. Many friends extend congratulations to this worthy couple.

Rufus Stevens of Orr's Island has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gammon.

Mrs. Mary Reed was called to the Summit, Friday, by the illness of her two grandchildren.

Everett Reynolds has gone to New York to make an indefinite stay with relatives.

A post card shower was given Mrs. Harold Bryant on Christmas Day. Mrs. Bryant is ill with scarlet fever.

The dogs killed five sheep for E. T. Bryant a few days ago and several others are injured so it is not thought they will recover.

Mrs. Charles Ray has received word of the death of her sister, Mrs. Blanche McIntire Brigham, of Buckfield.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hutchinsan entertained a party at their home, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Pearl Jordan and two daughters of Mechanic Falls, who have been seriously ill, are better.

Mrs. J. J. Austin and daughter, Miss Emma Keene, have been guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keene at Rumford.

Announcement Lodge, I. O. O. F. elected officers at their last meeting as follows:

N. G.—Don Freeman.
V. G.—Elmer E. Westgate.

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Lee Martin and family spent Christmas in Livermore, guests of his sister, Mrs. Mosher.

George Chamberlin of Rumford has been a guest of his brothers, Ezra and Arthur Chamberlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Parsons are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Addie Gates, of Georgetown, Mass.

A carload of apples is being loaded at Hartford Centre. The farmers received \$3.00 per barrel on the average.

Mrs. Elton Dalley has recently received a letter from her grandson, Shirley Dalley, who is in the service. He is now at El Paso and expects to return home in March.

B. L. Adams, who has had a relapse since his illness, is better.

H. E. Patterson was at Rumford, Saturday.

The next entertainment given by the Colt, Albert Lyceum Bureau under the auspices of the Red Cross, will be held at the Opera House, Saturday evening, Jan. 18, and promises to be one of the best of the course. A dance will follow.

NEWRY

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Christmas Day. Mother and child are doing well.

Dr. Twaddle of Bethel is kept busy day and night attending the cases of influenza in this town, as well as others.

Dan Enman of Sunday River is at Rob Enman's helping care for the sick ones.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD

Miss Mollie Stanley came home from Locke's Mills, Christmas, and is ill with influenza.

Ned Carter came home to spend Christmas with his family.

Mrs. Sara Gunther and daughter, Alice, spent Christmas at Howard Gunther's.

Mrs. Ellen Kimball was in Portland, Thursday, returning Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bartlett and three sons spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Hall.

Mrs. Mary J. Capen, 45, with her daughter, Fannie, at Middle Intervale, Miss Marjorie Purcell came home from Locke's Mills, with the influenza.

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LOCKE'S MILLS

Mrs. Clara Brown is home from Bethel for a few days.

Mrs. Belle Chase of Auburn is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alice King.

Mrs. E. L. Tebbets of Auburn is visiting her son, C. B. Tebbets, who has the influenza.

The influenza is raging in the place now for the first time. It is reported by the doctors from sixty to seventy-five cases.

Dawn Tebbets of Auburn is spending his vacation with his brother, Charles.

WEST GREENWOOD

Pvt. Lester Swan, who has recently obtained his discharge from Camp Devens, Mass., visited at W. A. Hall's for the past few days.

Misses Annie and Lillian Cross, both pupils of Woodstock High school, spent the Christmas recess at their respective homes on Howe Hill.

John Bennett and family from Bethel have moved into the M. H. Lydon residence, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Hibbard.

Sgt. John M. Harrington from Camp Upton, N. Y., arrived home December 25th for a short furlough, having to return to serve December 30th.

Mrs. Charles Connors of Albany was recently calling on friends in town.

Mrs. W. C. Cross and her father, Mr. Charles Farr, of Howe Hill were at Bethel one day last week, shopping.

Pvt. Dannie Cross has received his discharge from the Aviation Corps and has returned to his home on Howe Hill.

The agent for the Waterville Stove Company was recently in town.

Among those who were in town, recently were: Charles Connors of Albany, Frank Stevens, Alton Bartlett of Hanover, Dan Cole and Peter Seams of Shadocks, Chauncey Bryant of Bethel, Martin Lydon of Bethel, Pvt. Ray A. Cummings of Camp Devens, Mass., and Sgt. Roy L. Cummings, who has recently been discharged from Camp Shelby, Miss.

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Mrs. Annie Willey is the guest of her sister at Backfield.

Mrs. Jack Carter of Boston was the guest of relatives in town, Sunday.

Miss Mary Douglass of Gorham, N. H., was the guest of Miss Cleo Russell, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Snodgrass of Berlin, N. H., were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Kilborn, who have been spending several weeks at Bethel Inn, will leave for Portland, Thursday.

Mr. A. C. Wight of Milan, N. H., was the week end guest of Dr. I. H. Wight and family.

Mr. Kenneth Wight of Milan, N. H., was a guest of Dr. I. H. Wight and family the first of the week.

The Ladies' Aid will hold their annual meeting at the home of Miss Lucy Fox, Thursday afternoon, Jan. 2.

Mr. Silas Littlehale returned from the Magalloway region Thursday, Peter Littlehale came with him and went on to Lewiston.

Mrs. Marshall Hastings and daughter, Ruth, who have been spending a few weeks with relatives in Auburn, returned home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Adams of the Steam Mill village are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born Sunday, Dec. 29th.

The village schools reopened this week and all parents are requested to send their children unless they are sick. There is little danger and close watch is being made by the teachers to see that no children are allowed to remain who have had colds or seem in any way suspicious. There has been so much loss of time that it is urgent that the children get to school as soon as possible in order to grade in the spring. Parents are asked to keep all children who have colds away till they are well.

CHARLES E. LORD, Supt.

Mr. I. L. Carver and father motored to Portland, Sunday.

Mr. Everett Morse was the week end guest of Mr. S. J. Morse and family.

Mr. A. E. Bennett of Gilead was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Davis, Monday.

Mrs. Frank Donahue of Berlin, N. H., was the guest of relatives in town one day this week.

Mrs. John Swan went to Bethel, Tuesday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Bartlett.

Mrs. C. H. Rice from Norway was the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thurston were called to Portland last week by the serious illness of Mr. Roy Thurston.

Mr. Lee Clough went to Brockton, Mass., Saturday, to attend the funeral of his brother, Eber Clough, who died last Thursday.

Miss Inna Tibbotts returned to her school at Augusta, Saturday, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tibbotts.

Ceylon Rowe & Son are offering some exceptional bargains in their sale this week. Do not fail to read their advertisement in this paper.

Mr. Frank Earl Keniston, who has been discharged from the Naval Aviation at Keyport, N. J., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Bertha Keniston, at the dormitory.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge will hold their regular meeting Monday evening, Jan. 6. It is hoped that a large number will be present as election of officers will be held at this time.

Bethel people are very sorry to learn that Miss Marian Pratt left for her home in Reading, Mass., last Friday. Miss Pratt has made many friends during her stay in Bethel and all wish her success in her new position.

Mr. Dollison C. Conroy, who has been employed by O. B. Brown of Berlin, began his duties Monday as clerk in the store of Ceylon Rowe & Son.

Misses Frances and Florence Carter returned to their school in Portland, Monday, after spending the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Ella Carter.

Sgt. Major Lemist Ealer is stopping at Bethel Inn with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Ealer, of New York. The sergeant has just come across the continent from Camp Lewis, Washington, where he has been instructing in the different forms of electrical and visual communication as actually employed in several sectors of the Western battlefront.

Sgt. Major Ealer was a member of the 165th Inf., the old "fighting 66th" of the New York National Guard, which was a unit of the famous 42nd, or Rainbow, Division. With that organization he called from Camp Mills (N. Y.) on Oct. 31st, 1917, and was a member of it until his return to the states last September.

In a little talk he gave at Bethel Inn on Dec. 28th, he gave an account of his trip over and of the period of training his division went through in the bitterly cold winter of the Vosges sector of France. He told of his regiment in their first occupancy of the trenches in Lorraine; of the breaking of the Prussian Guard's attack in Champagne—the turning-point of the war—in July, and of the "fury" of the Rainbow's offensive from Chateau Thierry to the Vesle River in the first days of August last.

In his talk he spoke often in very complimentary terms of our own England Division, the "Yankee" or 26th.

Sgt. Ealer is preparing a series of articles for a well known periodical, and has promised us some "advance proof" from them.

WEST BETHEL

Edwin R. Briggs of West Bethel met with an accident at South Paris, Sunday evening. He went down to his daughter's, Mrs. John Wight's, on Pine street with the intention of staying there for the winter. Sunday evening he went out on the piazza and stepped off onto the ground and fell sustaining a serious fracture of the hip, and it is thought a fracture of the thigh bone. Mr. Briggs is 77 years of age and the injury is a severe one for him.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rolfe are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born Dec. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Robertson are rejoicing over the birth of a son, born Dec. 29th.

Joseph Perry and Lloyd Luxton were home from Camp Devens for the Christmas holiday, having a furlough of six days. They returned Sunday.

Miss Ethel Allen of Cambridge, Mass., was home for Christmas.

P. A. Tenney of Massachusetts spent Christmas with his daughter, Frances, at the home of Mrs. Malena Morgan.

Mrs. J. C. Richardson of Gorham, N. H., is the guest of Mrs. A. M. and Miss Grace Farwell.

Irene Merrill is assisting Mrs. Stella Goodridge with her work.

BRYANT'S POND

Our merchants report as having a good trade through the holidays. The old Grand Trunk station has recently received some repairs. A part of it has been new alled and a hardwood floor has been laid in the office.

COTTAGE STUDIO ITEMS

and at one end of the building a new platform has been put in. The opening of the schools has been delayed another week at least through the illness of some of the students. Charles Andrews and Otis Noyes of Camp Devens are at home through New Year's week.

Frederick Kinsman, long a summer resident of this place, is now very ill at the home of a brother in Ohio.

Fred Keith, who has been with one of the Canadian units for the past thirty months in France, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Abner Benson.

Plans are being made for a large amount of lumbering in our town. There is a large amount of cord wood in town, also pulp ready for market. The Dearborn Spool Co. will receive a large amount of birch at their yard.

WEST PERU

Mr. Beals has discontinued his Peru milk route.

E. P. Haines and Annie Putnam have bought the Noah Hall place.

Mrs. David Chenery is ill with influenza.

Rollin Corson has finished work for Nathan Flagg and is now at work for Edward Elliott.

O. J. Chase and family are stopping with his mother, Mrs. Annie Chase.

Oscar Putnam is hauling the wood he bought of L. A. Wardwell to West Peru.

Hiram Washburn has bought a piece of Umland of E. G. Child.

Will Dixon is putting up an out building for Oscar Putnam.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the fourteenth day of January, 1919, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier.
November 20, 1919. 11-28

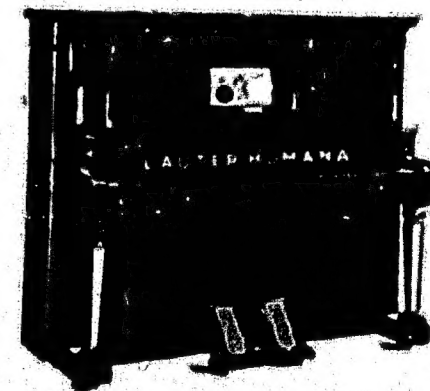
STATE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS CONTEST CANCELLED

Because of the continued epidemic of grippe and influenza in the State the Annual State Contest of Boys' and Girls' Clubs, scheduled to be held at the University of Maine, December 26-27, has been cancelled.

Records, stories and exhibits will be scored as usual, prize winners announced, State Champions chosen and names of Scholarship winners will be published.

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RUMFORD

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Word comes to us that Governor Miller and Council have granted a pardon to "Joe Bill," the Italian who killed his wife a few years ago in Rumford. Pardon for murder in these days does not seem to be near so severe as it is for some poor chap to steal a few dollars.

The Rumford Fire Department had its worst fire of the year on its hands on Friday night, when the alarm rung in from Box 26, for what proved to be a stubborn blaze in the old Curnell block on Congress street nearly opposite the Municipal Building. This building, 3 stories high, of wood construction, extends clear across the block from Congress to Canal streets. The ground floor was occupied by A. J. Pine as a fruit and tobacco store, bowling alley and pool room. One half the next floor was occupied by Nathan Israelson's Tailor Shop, balance of the building by tenements. Pine's loss must be complete and Israelson's stock and partly finished garments were completely destroyed, on which he had some \$1,200 insurance. The building is owned by A. Singer, Auburn, Maine. The fire easily worked through into the John Orino building, completely ruining the millinery stock of the Grandin Sisters on the second floor, while the extensive Levin & Singer Co. stock of ladies' outfitting were seriously damaged by the tons of water pouring down through.

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The annual Christmas observance by Knights Templar, No. 21, Knights Templar called out a goodly number of Sir Knights, notwithstanding the bad travelling. It was a special service called by order of Em. Sir Pass G. York in conformity to Templar custom to celebrate "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men." This custom of Christmas observance was inaugurated not so many years ago by Grand Secretary Stephen Berry of Portland. It has become so popular that it is almost universally observed by Knights Templar. After appropriate remarks, Em. Commander Dana C. York read the following toast: "To Grand Master, Excellent Sir Lee S. Smith." With steadfast devotion to Flag and Country, Knights Templar have withstood the shock of battle, and counted as sacrifice too great that the principals of Humanity and Fraternity may be subserved to the people of all nations. Let us now, with the same heroic faith, face the mighty problems the new era brings to civilization. The following toasts were then read by Em. Commander Dana C. York: To the Right Em. and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine, Response, Sir John E. Stevens. To the Most Thrice Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine, Response, Em. Sir James B. Stephenson. To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine, Response, Em. Sir F. O. Eaton. To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, Response, Em. Sir Fred J. Latham. To all Knights Templar wherever dispersed over the face of the globe, Response, Em. Sir Glen S. Osgood. To the memory of our fraters who have joined the silent

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majority; Response, Em. Sir Gerald A. Peabody. While on his way to Ridgelyville, in a team, Friday afternoon, Arthur Landry was taken ill and fell from the team, injuring his head. He was found in an unconscious condition by Joe Gravel and taken to his home.

A large quantity of liquor came to Rumford for the Christmas celebrations. Napoleon Landry is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

In the casualty list this week was the name of Wayman Hassett of Rumford, who was severely wounded. Also the name of Ernest Hollquist of Rumford, died of disease.

Monday and Tuesday were very busy days at the Rumford post office. The record of Christmas mail was reached Tuesday afternoon.

George I. Appleby of Lewiston, general manager of the Rumford theatres, was in town, Monday, and installed a new Simplex Projection Machine at each theatre. These machines assure flickless pictures and there are no hotter machines made.

Mrs. Harold Peterson has received a post card from her brother, Bertie Cook, a member of Company B in France, stating that he had just left the hospital after being there six weeks.

Sergeant Lawrence Peterson, Jr., over-seen instructor at Camp Devens, spent the Christmas recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Peterson, on Pine street.

George Dyer, who is stationed at the U. S. Naval Training station at Hingham, Mass., spent a few days this week at his home in town.

George Kilgore, of the U. S. S. Mississippi, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Kilgore, over Christmas. James Young of the U. S. S. Kentucky is home, having received his discharge. Cassie Cohen had quite an adventure Monday afternoon when his horse ran away on Canal street. The horse became frightened at something and dashed up the street, and in order to stop the animal, Cohen drove him toward the fence at the International mill. The horse, seeing his way blocked, stopped.

Mr. George W. Simpson, who has been employed as cashier at the Rumford freight station, died Saturday night at the home of Mrs. White on Franklin street from pneumonia, after a few days illness. His age was 27 years and he leaves a sister as the only near relative.

W. L. Cushman, former principal of Mexico High school, led the forum at the Universalist church on Sunday, his subject being, "Civic Improvement."

ALBANY

George Cummings and family were guests of Mrs. Joseph Cummings, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Andrews spent Christmas with their son, Arthur Andrews, at Bryant's Pond.

Miss Annie and Mr. Dexter Cummings were guests of their sister, Mrs. A. G. Bean, Wednesday.

Irving Morry from Camp Devens was a recent caller in the place on a short furlough.

Ray Andrews is the happy owner of a pony.

Abel Andrews was a week end guest of his nephew, J. A. Andrews, of North Lovell.

The church will be postponed until Friday evening, Jan. 10.

MARSHALL DISTRICT

Geo. Briggs and family were callers at Ingalls McAllister's, last Sunday. Fred Littlefield and family, also Archie Bass spent Christmas evening at Geo. Briggs'.

The many friends of Alton Faine are glad to welcome him home after his discharge from Camp Devens.

Irving Morry of Camp Devens was a recent caller at Fred Littlefield's. Miss Nina Briggs spent Christmas at her home.

Corp. Lester Swan visited at his uncle's, Geo. Briggs', recently.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Roscoe Tuell accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Irvin L. Bowker, to Portland, Tuesday morning, where she will spend the winter. Mrs. Tuell has rented her house furnished for the winter months to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briggs. Mr. Briggs is one of the operators at this station.

Miss Ruth Tucker was called to So. Paris, Monday, by the illness of her sister, Eva, at the Andrews house. Leslie Barrows has received his discharge from an army training camp and is with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Barrows.

Roy F. Perham is expected home early in the new year from a So. Carolina training camp.

Public Christmas exercises were omitted on account of the prevailing illness. Several entire families are stricken with the disease.

A dispatch was received here Thursday announcing the death at Groveland, Mass., of Bertha, wife of Jerry H. Cole, formerly of West Paris, on Dec. 24.

A head-on collision of two freight trains occurred about 9 o'clock Christmas morning, when the east and west bound trains both took the siding. The engines were considerably smashed, and a carload of grain on the east-bound train was smashed and bags of flour were strewn on either side of the track. The cars which were left on the main line were taken to South Paris and Bryant's Pond to clear the track, and trains were delayed only about an hour. The collision was of interest to West Paris people, as the engineer on the west-bound train was Paul Verrill of West Paris, and the conductor on the east-bound train was Will Hammond, formerly of West Paris.

Among those who have been ill and are still ill are C. R. Briggs and family, R. Johnson and family, M. S. Buhler's family, Abner Mann, Gerald and Martha Day, E. W. Penley and daughter Alice, and J. R. Tucker.

Henry B. Markley arrived in season to spend Christmas with his parents. Alanson Cummings of the U. S. Navy is spending a vacation with his father, R. L. Cummings.

Mrs. Lola Foster of Locke's Mills and J. L. Bowker of Bryant's Ponds were in town to attend the funeral of Roscoe Tuell.

Mrs. Will Emery and Truman are ill. Friends here regret that Mrs. J. Wayland Kimball of State street, who for so many years occupied her pretty home on Main street during the summer season, had the misfortune to catch her foot in her dress and fall in the sitting room of her home and fracture her hip. The accident occurred about ten days ago, and she is suffering great pain.

Alphons D. Andrews of North Paris suffered a broken leg between the knee and hip Saturday, when his horse took right at a train and trampled upon him. He came to West Paris with a load of apples. Mr. Andrews was taken to Dr. Staples' office until the afternoon passenger train when he was taken to the C. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston.

The remains of Enoch Whittemore were brought here Saturday from Yarmouth and placed in the receiving tomb for burial in West Paris cemetery. He was the son of Enoch and Sarah Cole Whittemore, and was born in Paris, May 29, 1838. He married Nancy J. Cushman of Paris, who survives, also several children, grandchildren and two sisters. He was a soldier in the Civil War. A blacksmith by trade and for a number of years lived at West Paris, removing to Fayette.

On account of the epidemic school did not open Monday. The primary teacher, Miss Ethel Spiller, has been ill. No Sunday school session was held at the Universalist church, Spaday.

Mrs. Eliza Jane (Edwards) Marshall died from pneumonia at her home on High street, Tuesday morning, Dec. 31. She was born in Otisfield, Feb. 22, 1829. She married Ebenezer D. Marshall, who was accidentally killed 46 years ago at West Paris station. Two sons were born to them, Almon E., who with his family has always lived at home, also a grandson, Leo, and a granddaughter, Elva, wife of Dr. A. K. Baldwin of Portland and a great grandson, Marshall Baldwin of Portland. Mrs. Marshall was deeply devoted to her family, and highly respected by all who knew her. She was a member of West Paris Free Baptist church. The funeral will be held from her late home, Thursday at 1 p. m., Rev. H. H. Hathaway officiating. The interment will be in West Paris cemetery.

Cards have been received by relatives announcing the birth of a daughter on Dec. 28 to Dr. and Mrs. Hafe N. Hatt of Boston. Name, Mary Elizabeth; weight, 7 3/4 pounds.

Mrs. Louella Yates, Ernest Cook and Mrs. Winnie Niles are very ill.

GILFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Corey and Mr. and Mrs. Philip D. Wright of Bethel spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wright, Gilford.

WANTED

Will pay 5 cents per pound for clean rags suitable for wiping windows.

CITIZEN OFFICE.

ANDOVER

Miss Annie Akers, who is keeping house for her brother, Nathan Akers, and daughters at Rumford, spent several days this week with her parents, J. E. Akers and wife.

Rev. J. N. Atwood has been very ill with a severe cold.

Kenneth Silver, Victor Akers, Ned Baker, Nahum and Willis Melaner were home from Camp Devens to spend Christmas, returning to camp, Sunday.

Word has been received in town of the serious illness of Mrs. Freeman Bell of Andover at her home in Allenton, Mass.

N. D. Bodwell and family were guests Christmas day of Mrs. John Hewey and family.

The high school reopened Monday after a week's vacation.

Marjorie and Louise Akers, who have been visiting their grandparents, J. E. Akers and wife and P. W. Learned and wife, returned to their home in Rumford, Monday.

Montgomery Poor, Cecil Swett, and Lester Thurston returned to their studies at the University of Maine the first of the week.

Den. J. L. Bailey read a sermon at the Congregational church, Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor.

Private Henry Roberts has been discharged from a camp in Maryland and is at his home.

There was quite an excitement in town, Monday noon, when the office at the spool mill caught fire from the stove and burned through the roof before it could be extinguished. The building was badly damaged by smoke and water. There was no insurance.

E. W. Abbott has bought a pair of horses of Chesley Saunders of Andover. There was a basket ball game between the married and single men at the hall, Thursday evening of last week. A dance followed and the proceeds went to the local Red Cross.

There were 152 Red Cross members enrolled in Andover for 1919.

Wm. McLaughlin is driving team for E. W. Abbott, who has about 200 cords of birch to haul to the spool mill and nearly 200 cords of wood for other parties.

George Thomas, who underwent a serious operation in a Providence Hospital, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Field, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Akers and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Crossman and children were guests of I. E. Mills and family, Christmas day.

Barbara Cushman is spending the holidays with her parents, C. E. Cushman and wife.

MASON

School closed Friday after a very successful term taught by Miss Estelle Deering of Portland. Miss Lillie Baker won the first prize for attendance, not being absent or late during the term of fifteen weeks.

There was a Christmas tree and exercises at the Mason school, Wednesday afternoon for the enjoyment of the children under the direction of Miss Estelle Deering, the teacher. There was an exhibit of the children's handwork in sewing, knitting and tatting. The following program was given:

Song, "The Lord's Prayer,"
Song, "Come Sing a Song for Santa Claus,"
Welcome, "Merry Christmas,"
Recitation, "Good News," Lillie Baker
Recitation, "Santa's Birds,"
Ella McKenzie, Lillie Baker
Song, "Little Birdies,"
Corra and Alice McKenzie
Recitation, "A Christmas Wish,"
Paul Grover
Recitation, "Freddie's Stocking,"
Freddie McKenzie
Song, "Little Brown Sparrows,"
Four Girls
Recitation, "Christmas Joys,"
Bertha Mundt
Recitation, "Sprouting Wings,"
Alice McKenzie
Song, "A Letter to Santa Claus,"
Four Girls
Recitation, "A Christmas Tree Farm,"
Paul Grover
Song, "There Are Many Flaws in Many Lands,"
Four Girls
Recitation, "The Bachelor's Dream,"
Ella McKenzie
Song, "Reindeer's Coming," Four Girls
Mrs. Lucy Cushman is at East Bethel, caring for Mrs. R. S. Tyler and baby.

Mrs. E. A. Mills, who has been visiting relatives on Grover Hill, has returned home.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Adeline F. Fraser late of Upton in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

JOHN M. FRASER,
November 19, 1918. Upton, Me.
12-19-19.

IF PAY TO ADVERTISING.

PROBATE NOTICES

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1919, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

David Noble late of Rumford, deceased; petition that Aretas E. Stearns or some other suitable person be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased presented by David Noble, Jr., son and heir.

Jacob A. Thurston late of Bethel, deceased; accounts presented for allowance by Paul C. Thurston, administrator.

Mary G. Campbell of Rumford, ward; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Mary J. Welch, guardian.

Nathaniel E. Brown late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, executor of the estate of Mary E. Brown, former executrix of the will of said Nathaniel E. Brown.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.
1-2-19.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Milo Mitchell late of Mexico in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ORA M. MITCHELL,
Mexico, Maine.
December 17, 1918. 1-2-19.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Dennis Vashaw late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

SADIE G. VASHAW,
Bethel, Maine.
December 17, 1918. 1-2-19.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Evelyn E. Hapgood late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

GEORGE J. HAPGOOD,
Bethel, Maine.
December 17, 1918. 1-2-19.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Adeline Atkins late of Rumford in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

WILLIE E. ATKINS,
Rumford, Maine.
December 17, 1918. 1-2-19.

EAST BETHEL

Miss Eva Bean, who has been spending the Christmas holidays at her home here, has returned to her teaching in Harrington, Me.

Miss Elsie Bartlett is spending several weeks, including the holidays, the guest of relatives at Cambridge and Lowell, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bean attended the Maine State Grange recently held in Portland as delegates of Alder River Grange.

Christmas passed very quietly here. Christmas day guests entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bean included: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bartlett, Mrs. Lucretia Bean and Miss Eva Bean, the following day the same party including Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bean, Miss Edith and Mrs. W. B. Bartlett.

A family Christmas tree was much enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O. Bean. Dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. K. Martin.

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NOTICE
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed guardian of Dexter A. Cummings of Albany in the County of Oxford, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said ward are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

CHARLES G. BECKLER,
Bethel, N. F. D.
December 17th, 1918. 1-2-19.

Miss Ruth Cole was a Christmas day guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. K. Hastings and family.

A well laden tree was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett, who entertained their mother, Mrs. Elsie Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Russell and Master Cedric of Hanover were Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farwell, and family.

Christmas day passed very pleasantly at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bean. Guests entertained were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Hutchins, Robert Hutchins, Miss Virginia Bean and baby Kenneth Bean. A family Christmas tree and a merry Santa Claus afforded much pleasure to all.

Mr. Robert Rich, who is at his home in Berlin, N. H., on a Christmas furlough, was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bean.

Mrs. Helen Bean canvassed the Red Cross membership drive here with good success.

Sleep well

While there are many causes for sleeplessness it frequently happens that sleeplessness is the result of indigestion or is the real source of the trouble. If you are not getting good or food digestion in any way, or the bowels do not move daily, or you feel languid and have headaches, a teaspoonful of the genuine "L. F." At-Home Medicine, as directed, will quickly relieve you of these disagreeable symptoms. It is a most economical HOME REMEDY, a real dose as a physic and blood purifier. You'll save money and prevent sickness by using it. Buy only the TRUE "L. F." At-Home Medicine, as made by the L. F. Medicine Co., Portland, Me.

14 DROPS

KEPT PLEDGE TO SEND BREAD

American Nation Maintained Allied Loaf Through Self-Denial at Home Table.

AVERTED EUROPEAN DESPAIR.

With Military Demands Upon Ocean Shipping Relieved, World is Able to Return to Normal White Wheat Bread.

Since the advent of the latest wheat crop the only limitation upon American exports to Europe has been the shortage of shipping. Between July 1 and October 10 we shipped 65,990,305 bushels. If this rate should continue until the end of the fiscal year we will have furnished the Allies with more than 237,500,000 bushels of wheat and flour in terms of wheat.

The result of increased production and conservation efforts in the United States has been that with the cessation of hostilities we are able to return to a normal wheat diet. Supplies that have accumulated in Australia, Argentina and other hitherto inaccessible markets may be tapped by ships released from transport service, and European demand for American wheat probably will not exceed our normal surplus. There is wheat enough available to have a white loaf at the common table.

But last year the tale was different. Only by the greatest possible sacrifice and sacrifice were we able to keep a steady stream of wheat and flour moving across the sea. We found our selves at the beginning of the harvest year with an unusually short crop. Even the most optimistic statisticians figured that we had a bare surplus of 30,000,000 bushels. And yet Europe was facing the probability of a bread famine—and in Europe bread is by far the most important article in the diet.

All of this surplus had left the country early in the fall. By the first of the year we had managed to ship a little more than 50,000,000 bushels by practicing the utmost economy at home—by wheatless days, wheatless meals, heavy substitution of other cereals and by sacrifice at almost every meal throughout the country. In January the late Lord Rhinoceros, then British Food Controller, cabled that only if we sent an additional 75,000,000 bushels before July 1 could he take the responsibility of assuring his people that they would be fed.

The response of the American people was 85,000,000 bushels safely delivered overseas between January 1 and July 1. Out of a harvest which gave us only 20,000,000 bushels surplus we actually shipped 141,000,000 bushels. Thus did America fulfill her pledge that the Allied bread ration could be maintained, and already the American people are demonstrating that, with an awakened war conscience, last year's figures will be bettered.

Our experts state... is country entered the war have justified a statement made by the Food Administration... after its completion, continuing the principles and policies that would govern the situation of this country's food problems.

"The whole foundation of democracy," declared the Food Administration, "lies in the individual initiative of its people and their willingness to serve the interests of the nation with common sense and sacrifice." "We have demonstrated the rightness of our faith and our ability to defend ourselves without being prejudiced."

Leading to Europe 141,000,000 bushels of wheat from a surplus of approximately nothing was the outstanding exploit of the American food army in the latest year of the war.

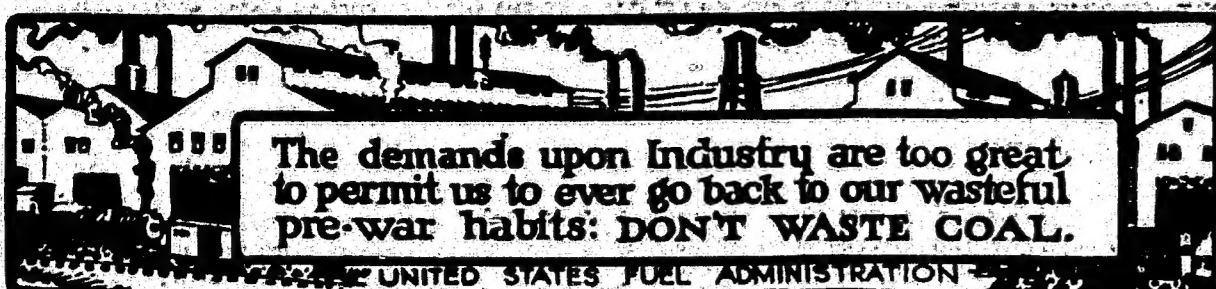
GREATEST OPPORTUNITY WOMEN EVER HAD.

It was given to the women of this country to perform the greatest service in the winning of the war vouchsafed to any women in the history of the world—to feed the world and the war sufferers. By the arts of peace, the practice of simple, honest virtues the womanhood of a whole nation served humanly in its profoundest struggle for peace and freedom.

FIRST CALL TO FOOD ARMY.

This co-operation and service I ask of all in full confidence that America will render more for God and freedom than King ridden people surrender at Calcutta.—Herbert Hoover, Aug. 10, 1917.

A year ago voluntary food control was a daring adventure in democracy; during the year an established proof of democratic efficiency.



The demands upon industry are too great to permit us to ever go back to our wasteful pre-war habits: DON'T WASTE COAL.

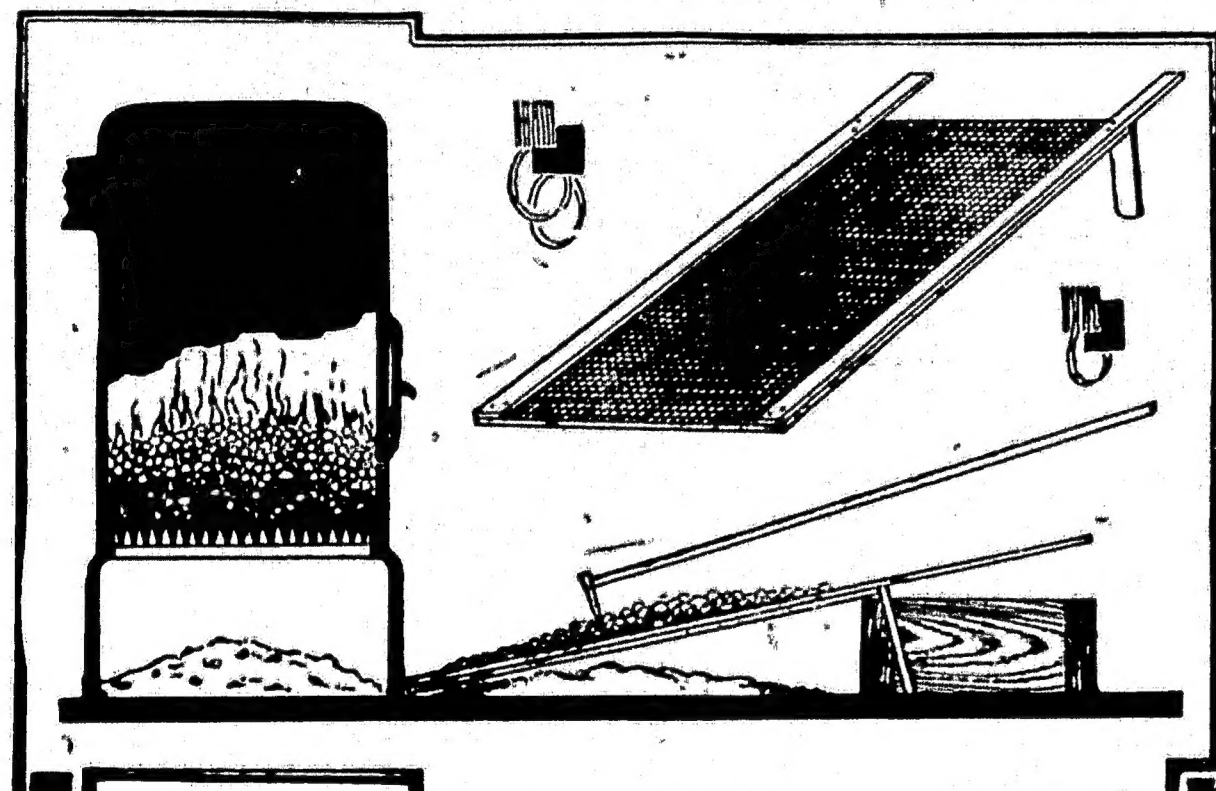
UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATION

ASHES SIFTED MEANS COAL SAVED



No one would begrudge wasted coal if it fell later into the hands of users, as coal on the ash dumps of New York is gleaned by the children of the East Side. The trouble is that the five buckets full of coal which the average householder wastes each week by not sifting his ashes do no one any good. Sift your ashes, save coal, save money, and help stretch the scant supply of anthracite this winter.

HERE ARE TWO SIMPLE HOME-MADE ASH SIFTERS



Ash Sifter Hard to Beat as Money Saver; Easy to Build.

The illustration in the upper right represents a home-made ash sifter made from plain boards and one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. Its measurements are 30x27 inches, and it has an elevation of one foot.

In the center is another view of the same ash sifter. It shows the sifter placed against the east pit of a heater, with a box in back of it to catch the redoubled coal.

Ashes are drawn from the ash pit with a hoe, as shown in illustration. As

they are pulled over the mesh the ashes drop through the sifter and the recovered coal falls into the box. The purpose of this form of sifter is to allow dust and reduce work. In the lower illustration is a simple form of ash sifter which can be made with four boards, or a box sawed in half, a broomstick and a piece of one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. This style of sifter is efficient but scatters more dust than the other.

WEATHER STRIPPING WILL SAVE YOU COAL

Following are a few suggestions by the United States Fuel Administration on "weather stripping" of houses, to save coal:

It is best to put weather stripping on all doors and windows because, there is a heat loss through every one, no matter how tight they might be. By all means strip those which are loose, or which have large crevices.

All doors and windows which have a northern exposure should be carefully stripped. Windows that cannot be much better protected if double windows are provided, because there is a certain amount of heat loss through the glass.

A million and a half households in the Middle West, accustomed to the use of anthracite, are getting either none or only a partial supply of anthracite this winter. Make the most of the anthracite you are fortunate enough to have.

The best way of assuring yourself of plenty of domestic fuel this winter is by the use of wood. Cut wood on holidays and in your spare time and save anthracite.

COAL PRODUCTION CUT.

The influenza epidemic cut anthracite coal production 1,000,000 tons, according to the estimates of the United States Fuel Administration. Another half million of tons was sliced from expected production when the miners joined with the rest of the country in celebrating the signing of the armistice.

These are the reasons that make it necessary for every person possessed of anthracite to get the utmost possible good from it. There is not enough anthracite for the needs of every household.

MAKE AN AIR-POCKET WITH WINDOW SHADE

IT KEEPS OUT THE COLD.

There has come to light the need for a window shade which will not only keep out the light, but will keep out the cold! Unreasonable, you say? Not at all.

A glass window, while it effectively keeps out the wind, allows considerable radiation of the heat from a room through the single thickness of the pane. In very cold countries double windows are the rule.

No matter how thin the window shade, if it is pulled down and held snugly against the casement, it forms an air pocket which insulates the warm room from the cold outside the same way as does the air space of the double window. For that reason, in cold weather, pull your window shades down at night. If the curtains or hangings do not hold the shades close to the casement, pin the shades. It is not necessary to seal the shades tight against the casement, but merely to have them hang close enough so that the air will not circulate too freely.

HOME TOWN HELPS

TOO FEW ARTISTIC ROADSIDES

In That Respect It Must Be Admitted That the United States Is Far Behind Europe.

The advantage and pleasure to be derived from an artistic roadside seem so apparent that it would appear unnecessary to comment on the matter, but when we travel about and see our highways with their bordering improvements we are forced to the conclusion that the appearances are not sufficiently appreciated.

Streets of the usual box-type of clapboard houses may be found in and about most of our cities. That they are devoid of any artistic conception is particularly proved when we contrast them with the roadsides which may be seen in charming variety throughout the most progressive European countries.

The awkward boxlike type shows a lack of thought beyond merely filling out the physical requirements, whereas the European type shows a graceful treatment of the roof lines and grouping of the chimneys.

In countries where the general surroundings are so artistic it becomes the natural habit to follow the prevalent examples, so that the idea when once started has a natural growth.

Architectural design may be artistically and economically applied to all classes of buildings, notwithstanding the general opinion that such thought is only applicable to expensive construction. When we arrive at a proper appreciation of the artistic roadside we will not hesitate to insist on architectural treatment of all construction work of whatever class.

EASILY MADE RUSTIC SEAT

Limb of Felled Tree Quickly Converted Into Useful and Ornamental Addition to Yard.

It was merely a matter of convenience that the largest limb of a tree which was felled, was sawed off nearer the ground than were the two smaller



Shape of This Tree Made Simple Task to Construct a Seat From Its Stump.

er branches. However, this at once suggested a seat, which was very easily made. A piece of board was placed on the large stump and a simple back made of cross poles with vertical slats nailed to them, was fastened between the two smaller limbs. With the bark removed and the surface coated with a dull green paint the seat harmonized with the surroundings.—Popular Science Monthly.

TO HARMONIZE WITH HOUSE

Grounds Surrounding Structure Must Be Laid Out Solely With That Object in View.

The garden surrounding a residence must harmonize with the structure. If the latter be a palace the grounds should have palatial treatment; if a simple cottage or bungalow of modest appearance, a quiet, simple, almost rustic scene may be made to surround the domicile. This argument may be followed out to its natural conclusion by the thought (for statement) that if one inhabits a natural cave no gardening would be necessary or even advisable. Soaring from this basis to the other extreme, it will readily be seen that a magnificent home must have liberal and harmonious treatment of it, as well as the grounds, must suffer. Large residences of pretentious or classical architecture should be at once planted about with a certain amount of large and pretentious trees.

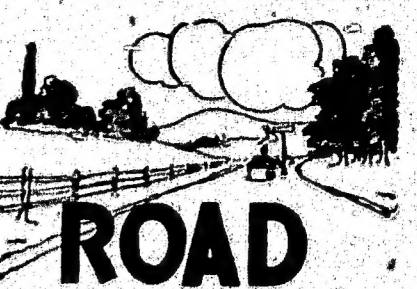
Would Let Cities Build Houses. A bill has been introduced in the legislature at Albany, N. Y., permitting the larger cities of the state to purchase land and construct houses, the purpose being to relieve the great shortage of homes that exists in many cities. Massachusetts has been the pioneer in this state construction work.

The Sole Hop.

The late Capt. Vernon Castle was very popular with the flying cadets under him. No teacher of flight was ever more affectionately regarded.

Captain Castle had a cheery way with him. A cadet one morning awaited rather nervously in the flying field his "sole hop" as the first flight aloft is called. Captain Castle, noticing the cadet's perturbation, slapped him gaily on the shoulder and said:

"Cheer up, man. Don't be nervous. You'll come down again. There's no known instance of an airplane ever falling to come down."



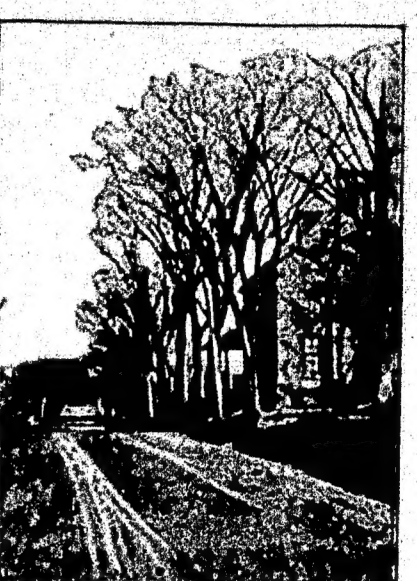
ROAD BUILDING

TO MAINTAIN GRAVEL ROADS

Never Hard and Smooth Enough to Prevent Immediate Rutting by Wheels of Wagons.

Gravel roads are never hard and smooth enough when opened to travel to prevent almost immediate rutting by the wheels of heavily loaded wagons. In fact, a gravel which contains enough clay to pack immediately under the roller or in a few days under travel will always prove to give a muddy road when the frost is going out in the spring and during prolonged wet spells at other seasons of the year. If such gravels are found on a road they can be greatly improved by covering the surface with a thin layer of sandy gravel, applied when the road is soft and allowed to mix under travel, the road being kept smooth by the frequent use of the road drag.

On any gravel road, dragging with a suitable road drag should begin after the first good rain following the completion of the road and be continued after each subsequent rain until the



Well-Kept Gravel Road.

road surface becomes so hard and smooth that heavily loaded wagons make no impression on the surface. But dragging must be frequent the first fall until winter sets in and the following spring until the middle of May or the first of June. After that the dragging will not be very effective, unless the rains are of long enough duration to soften the surface slightly, and may therefore be less frequent. But dragging will be found very effective and efficient in the late fall and in the spring when the frost is coming out and before the gravel is fully settled.

MUST MAINTAIN GOOD ROADS

Too Much Money Spent for Construction and Too Little for Proper Maintenance.

In many a county in the South the condition of the roads is the same as those which the editor of the Clinton Democrat describes as existing in his county. He says:

"We can't survive the impression that we have wasted a lot of money; that we have built a lot of roads that have gone back to their former condition, from neglect; that we have burdened our posterity with a debt that has proved to be a rather bad investment. We have burdened our children with the bonds and we will be mighty hard to pay, and we will have to answer for a great deal, if we don't stop. We leave them a legacy of mudholes, a heritage of mud and water. One of the main defects in our present program, we think, is the fact that we are spending all of our money on construction and are not taking proper thought for the maintenance of the roads."—The Progressive Farmer.

TO MAINTAIN CONCRETE ROAD

Observe Same Rules of Drainage as Apply for Earth Roads—New Surface for Concrete.

The maintenance of concrete roads consists of observing the rules of drainage as for earth roads, and in filling with tar any cracks that may develop. Nothing can be done for the surface when it begins to deteriorate and break down. It will serve as a base for some of the higher types of bituminous surface, and after the concrete has served its usefulness it should be resurfaced with a bituminous wearing surface.

Every State After Funds.

Every state in the Union accepted the terms of the federal road act and applied for the funds thus made available.

Prevent Foundering Horses. Never water or grain a horse that is much heated—to do this is likely to "founder" and so ruin him.

Favor Wide-Tired Trucks. Wide-tired trucks for farm hauling are gaining in favor among those who have put them in use.

SERMON

Continued from page 1.

thousands upon thousands of delicately reared and carefully sheltered young women have quickly and gladly cast aside the comforts and luxuries to which they had always been accustomed, and entered the ranks of the army and navy, and most trying service to their brothers who were fighting the battles of humanity, civilization and Christianity.

And the service thus cheerfully and nobly rendered has put into these girls, before the ornaments and fells of society, the hearts and hopes of women, useful, helpful, noble women, whose lives are bound to enrich and bless every land on which the sun shines.

The very name and saluted memory of Edith Cavell will, in days to come, quicken the pulse, steady the resolve and nerve the arm of a million girls to do valiant service for justice and truth and the moral elevation of the race.

The prodigious labors of love and devotion by millions of women in the homeland for the comfort and salvation of the boys over there, will add its tremendous quota to the beneficent influence that will finally bless mankind. All the gentle loving thoughts and kind and helpful motives, that prompted their generous, unselfish deeds, "returning back to their springs like the rain shall fill them full of refreshment; That which the fountain sends forth returns again to the fountain."

There is another work that redounds tremendously to the credit of America, that has refuted some false conceptions of our capitalists and industry, and given us an insight into their hearts and souls, proving conclusively that these were as capacious as their brains and abilities. I refer to the men like Schwab, whose services freely given to the government were of incalculable value in speeding up the advance of war. Their patriotic devotion to the cause nearest the hearts of all our citizens knelt back upon those who had uttered them, words of vilification that had sprung from the throats of hundreds of thousands of working men. Henceforth every honest, thoughtful working man will be less ready to impugn the motives of men who are at the head of our colonial manufacturing, mining, commercial or transportation interests.

The war service work of the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus and kindred organizations, and the experience of the workers, especially at the front, has shaken the very foundations of theological thought and shattered prejudice as old as the era. But also having brought really Christian men of all sorts to plan and work and think together, they have established the basis for a broader, more practical and I trust a more effective Christianity.

The conception of the Kingdom of God has given space in the last four years, and the importance of securing ourselves have shrunk and shriveled in the estimate of most of the leaders in all denominations. The promptness with which the armies of the United States and the allies were all put under command of Marshall Foch when that seemed to be best and the speedy victory following, has been a great object lesson to the denationalists which is already bearing fruit. The derivative leadership of the forces of Christianity that has attained to such a degree in the past must go. Cooperation must take the place of competition. The too many little struggling, jealous churches in hundreds of communities must be united in the interest of the Kingdom of God, regarding the effect on the denationalists. The desire has gone forth. The security for it has long been patent, but the lessons of the war will speed up its accomplishment. Concentration of religious energy and the demand for results commensurate with the efforts in church activities must now be heeded.

Hear this response from Vermont: "Methodist, Baptist and Congregational church leaders of Vermont have united in issuing a strong document, rallying their forces to the task to be faced in the months to come." During the past year Vermont has made distinct forward steps in church unity. One outcome of this cooperation on the part of the churches is the sending out of a statement like the letter from which I take this extract: "We desire the speediest progress attainable toward the time when there will not be one overreached community in Vermont, but that in every small community there will be one Protestant church, with a competent and adequately paid minister, a sufficient equipment and a clear field for serving all the people and all the community life."

To this there were many minor suggestions and recommendations for the increasing the efficiency of the churches that will command themselves in all alert church leaders and workers, not a few of which have already been tried out with the best results in Vermont. According to many precedents this forward movement to church efficiency should have begun in the State of Maine, but as it is already launched in Vermont the only sensible thing for us to do is to get into the game with the best possible speed.

I believe that our boys are coming back from France with true and high

conceptions of Christianity and broader and deeper religious convictions than they carried over. It could scarcely be otherwise considering all that has been done for their moral and spiritual health, and the character of the leader under whom they have fought.

Did you read these words from Gen. Pershing's address on Thanksgiving day at the American headquarters in France? The service was held under the auspices of the leaders of our army with many dignitaries present representing the allied nations. Gen. Pershing said: "Victory was our goal. It is a hard won gift of the soldier to his country. As soldiers, inspired by every spiritual sentiment, we have each silently prayed that the success of righteousness should be ours. Great cause, indeed, have we to thank God for trials successfully met and victories won. Still more should we thank Him for the golden future, with its wealth of opportunity and its hope of universal peace. With thankfulness we humbly acknowledge that His strength has given us the victory."

Says Dr. H. A. Bridgman, Editor of the Congregationalist, in writing on the moral and spiritual gains of the war: "If the Christian church of America is to conserve the aroused idealism of hundreds of thousands of young men, if it is to capitalize in the interests of its work their awakened enthusiasm and zeal, it must prepare itself speedily to give the boys, when they come home, at least three things. The sense of God's nearness, love and redeeming power, a genuine and far-reaching human fellowship, and a program of service big and challenging enough to appeal to men who know what service and sacrifice really are."

I have but mentioned a few things that will, it seems to me, contribute to the making of a better and happier world.

To many of the warriors and statesmen and diplomats that gather around the council table of the peace conference these strictly personal matters will doubtless seem trivial and unimportant.

But I believe that the ethical and spiritual status of a people—their higher ideals if you please—has much more to do with their true prosperity and blessedness, than the kind of government under which they live. If it be anything save an autocracy, or the geographical boundaries of their country, the questions to be settled at the peace conference.

I do not know whether the German people will turn to repentance so that they can be forgiven and fellowshiped; I do not know when the pestilential bolshevik movement will have run its course so that stable governments can be set up in the countries afflicted by it. But I am confident that much more in the future than in the past, there will be "peace on earth among men in whom life is well pleased."

NOTICE

A letter from Senator Bert M. Pershing, of Maine, informs us that seeds designed for this State, under the Government's free distribution plan, will be shipped from Washington about March 15. This will mean that the supply which the Senator has arranged for the Oxford County Citizen to distribute among its readers ought to be available by March 20.



**WATCH THE
YELLOW SLIP
FOR THE DATE
YOUR
SUBSCRIPTION
EXPIRES**

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of May, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Odson Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
Geo. E. Brooks	Homestead Farm,	1.33	1.00
Heirs of Phoebe Corson	A. B. Tyler, Homestead,	2.30	1.00
Chas. P. Day	Homestead Farm,	16.10	1.00
Frank A. Gibson	Homestead Farm,	11.50	1.00
Mrs. John L. Holt	Homestead Farm,	20.70	1.00
	Land joining D. C. Foster,	1.15	1.00
	Young Farm,	20.70	1.00
Gerald Harding	Homestead at East Bethel,	4.00	1.00
Ellen P. Kimball	Homestead Farm,	11.50	1.00
Howard F. Maxim	Homestead Farm,	32.20	1.00
	Chase Homestead,	6.90	1.00
	Part of Cummings Field,	1.15	1.00
Geo. E. Osgood	Homestead Farm,	10.10	1.00
Alfred Smith	Homestead Farm,	6.75	1.00
James Uhlman	Homestead Farm,	9.78	1.00
	Swamp Land,	1.73	1.00
	Old Homestead Lot,	.58	1.00
Fred C. Yerrill	Homestead Farm,	27.60	1.00

December 18th, 1918.

FRED B. HALL,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Andover, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Andover, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 17th day of April, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Town Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
O. M. Richardson & Son	Twitcomb Hotel,	\$76.35	\$2.00
A. J. Ladd	Homestead,	35.54	2.00
Mrs. O. J. Sweet	Homestead,	44.96	2.00

December 18th, 1918.

A. L. LANG,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Andover.

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COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Mason, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Mason, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 8th day of May, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Town Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
C. A. Tyler	19 acres in Lot 3, Range 2,	\$1.16	\$1.00
J. A. Bennett Est.	8 acres in Lot 4, Range 7,	1.55	1.00
D. R. & G. A. Hastings	100 acres in Lot 58,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 77,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 82,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 95,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 94,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 75,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 85,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 86,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 48,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 50,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 78,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 82,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 84,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 86,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 88,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 89,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 97,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 65,	4.65	1.00
	100 acres in Lot 59,	4.65	1.00

December 18th, 1918.

D. W. CUSHING,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Mason.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of May, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Odson Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
Henry A. Cross	Homestead at West Bethel,	\$2.20	\$4.00

December 18th, 1918.

FRED B. HALL,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Gilsum, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Gilsum, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 2nd day of July, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Town Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
Merrill, H. A.	A parcel of land about 30 rods northeast from M. R. Bennett farm, so-called, being 190 feet square with camp thereon, in Range 5,	\$0.96	\$2.00
Marrs, F. H., Estate and O'Brien, Fuller	Cottage on land of Berlin Mills, 10 rods more or less from bank of Lary brook in a northern direction from N. H. State line, in Range 1,	6.36	2.00
Springer, E. A.	Cottage on land of the Berlin Mills Co., now Brown Co., south side of north branch of Lary brook in Range 1,	0.90	2.00

December 18th, 1918.

M. M. MASON,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Gilsum.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Newry, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1918.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Newry, aforesaid, for the year 1918, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 15th day of June, 1918, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient and necessary to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Orange Hall in said Newry, on the first Monday in February, 1919, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax.	Charges
Widner, Mrs. Fannie	Homestead, bounded on north by Munroe and Warren farms, south by R. A. Kames land, west by Bennett and Kilgore,	\$1.88	\$2.00
	Wild land, 78 acres in Lot 1, Range 14, 10.84	10.84	2.00
	Wild land, 100 acres in Lot 3, Range 14, 11.64	11.64	2.00
	Wild land, 100 acres in Lot 3, Range 14, 11.64	11.64	2.00
	Wild land, 50 acres in Lot 4, Range 14, 7.32	7.32	2.00
Tolson Mrs. Harry	Homestead bounded on the north by land of O. P. Littlelake, south by land of J. J. Spinsky,	\$4.10	\$2.00

December 18th, 1918.

W. H. POWERS,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Newry.

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THE CLUB WOMAN'S OBLIGATION TO HOME

Able Address Recently Delivered By Mrs. Geo. King, Formerly of Bethel, Now of Melbourne, Fla.

This eloquent message, ably delivered by Mrs. Geo. E. King to the County Federation meeting held at Sebasticus Thursday afternoon, December 5th, holds great inspiration for the home and club women.

"My subject today is 'A Club Woman's Obligation to Her Home.' So much has been written and said on this subject that anything that I can say will of necessity be a repetition, but I have been a club member 'of a sort' for about forty years, and my ideas may have some value, as they cover the time from the Ladies' Aid and Home Missionary Society up to our meeting here and now. "It would be impossible for most of you here to realize the great, the intense feeling that used to exist against women's having a voice in anything outside her home. From the beginning of the 18th century anything and everything new for women was at once pronounced wrong.

"Everything that tended toward giving women greater freedom was bitterly opposed and it meant a struggle to establish any new conditions.

"Do you know the school boy's story of how slavery was introduced into America? A part of it reads like this: 'In 1619 no women had been brought over to the colonies, so the Virginia planters sent to London for a ship load of girls, whom they married, and thus slavery was brought to America.' I am not sure but that he was right. For several centuries women were slaves to the rules and precepts that said: 'Thou shalt thou go and no further,' and it has been more than a hundred years since the first efforts were made to free her from the prejudice of those earlier times, and as each step in the march of progress was taken, the same old cry went up, 'Destroying the sanctity of the home,' 'losing their womanly charm,' 'becoming coarse and masculine,' etc.

"This was before women's clubs were thought of, and women's mental and physical inferiority was preached by doctors and ministers alike.

"When Elizabeth Cady Stanton called the first woman's rights convention in 1848, the papers called them 'wild women—coarse and unreasoning virgins,' and later in the seventies there was a great outcry against women doctors. They were 'a band defying nature's laws.' Even the first kindergarten was called an 'innovation that tended to destroy the home and women's morality.' "But through all these years, there has always been a 'woman of her period,' each one having a battle of her own to fight, and whatever new ideas she advanced, they were invariably wrong, and the same plea always brought forward that woman's sphere should be in the home.

"The clubs of my mother's day were merely church helpers, with absolutely no voice in the management of church affairs.

"In my own time it was not much better, but the church clubs served as a beginning for our Federation of today. "From church and missionary work the clubs have widened their scope, until today there is little that we do not think we are competent to undertake. "The clubs of today are many things, but surely they are womanly and the homes still flourish, and in no previous times did women safeguard their homes as they are now doing.

"But just what is meant by 'obligations to her family'? If we should canvass the country, we should find as many different opinions as there are families. We might take the common duties of feeding, clothing, keeping clean, etc., but no woman ever neglects all of these things, and few there are who always neglect any of them.

"A woman's obligations to her home are certainly not lessened by joining in a club, nor are they greatly increased.

"I am speaking of the average woman. I have nothing to say of the militant workers, who override every consideration to carry their point. I am glad they are not the average. "If you are not an active worker, it means giving a few hours every month, and every woman must judge for herself whether it is interfering on home duties or not, and accepting at business meetings every member is allowed to bring some kind of work and the little ones are welcomed at every social meeting.

"I am referring to the town and village clubs, where they are about the only

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